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SUBJECT: ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS MEETING - DECISION TO
ESTABLISH ASEAN RICE RESERVES

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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES REFTEL (REPEATED TO INFORMATION
ADDRESSEES) REPORTING ON SUBJECT MEETING. WE NOTE THAT
ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS AGREED TO SET UP A SYSTEM OF
"REGIONALLY COORDINATED NATIONAL RESERVES FOR RICE".

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2. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS SYSTEM. WE REALIZE ASEAN PLANS FOR SUCH A SYSTEM ARE CURRENTLY BEING COORDINATED BY AN ASEAN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL GROUP AND DETAILS OF ITS PROPOSED OPERATION MAY NOT BE WORKED OUT. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL, HOWEVER, TO OBTAIN SPECIFICS AS TO HOW THE SYSTEM WILL OPERATE AS IN-FORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. FOR EXAMPLE, HOW LARGE A RESERVE IS BEING CONTEMPLATED; WHAT ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR ACCUMULATING AND RELEASING RESERVES; WHAT ADDITIONAL STORAGE FACILITIES WOULD BE REQUIRED; WILL THESE RESERVES BE DIFFERENTIATED FROM NORMAL WORKING STOCK, AND IF SO, HOW; HOW WOULD THE NATIONAL RESERVES BE ALLOCATED AMONG THE FIVE COUNTRIES; HOW WILL RESERVE PROGRAMS BE MONITORED?

3. REFTEL INDICATES THAT ASEAN PLANS TO SEEK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THIRD COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. SEVERAL IFIS HAVE CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY OF FINANCING THE ACCUMULATION OF COORDINATED NATIONAL RE-SERVE STOCKS. ONCE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO RECEIVE ASEAN ESTIMATES OF THE COSTS INVOLVED IN SETTING UP THIS SYSTEM AND HOW THESE COSTS WOULD BE FINANCED. VANCE

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